

**4/7/08 - Monday, April 7, 2008**

**LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

**Minutes**

**Meeting of April 7, 2008**

**Members Present:** Jenny Ebert, Sue Nelson, John Mann, Ken Fulgione, Katrinka Bourne

**Members absent:** Ken Ziehr, Bob Von Haden

**Minutes.** The minutes of the March 10, 2008 meeting were approved as written.

**1. Consideration of Applications for Certificate of Appropriateness.**

**A. 1310 State Street - Basement Egress Windows.** The Commission reviewed an application submitted by Mr. Ed Garlick to install two basement egress windows on the south side of the structure located at 1310 State Street (Drummond House.) The proposed windows would replace existing windows, which provide access to an existing dwelling unit. Mr. Garlick is proposing the installation of the windows to provide improved emergency egress for this existing apartment. The egress windows would be installed utilizing the existing width of the current window openings.

Mr. Garlick was present at the meeting and indicated that he proposed to install a liner for the interior portion of the egress window well and then at ground level place brick around the exterior of the egress well to screen the liner from view from the street.

The Commission suggested that the brick be of a color similar to the color of the building's foundation and discussed whether landscaping should be added to screen the egress windows from view of Summit Avenue.

**ACTION TAKEN:** John Mann moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness to install the two basement egress windows with the condition that brick be installed on the outside of the liner, which is close in color to the foundation of the building and that Mr. Garlick consider placing shrubbery to the south of the egress windows to better screen it from view of Summit Avenue. Ken Fulgione seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

**B. 1310 State Street - Replace Second Floor Windows.** The Commission reviewed an application submitted by Mr. Ed Garlick, to replace windows in a second floor sunroom addition on the south side of the structure located at 1310 State Street (Drummond House.) This portion of the structure is a 2-story wood-frame addition to the brick house. The Commission approved a certificate of appropriateness in 2005 to allow Mr. Garlick to reside the addition, but at that time, the second floor windows were retained

Mr. Garlick informed the Commission that he proposes to remove the existing window on the east facing elevation, install two windows on the south elevation and install one window on the west elevation. The windows would be double-hung in style and be 32" x 48" in size. The wall area surrounding the new windows would be sided. Mr. Garlick added that the existing windows are 3-season storm windows, which are not very energy efficient. He noted that the room would probably be used as a bedroom once the changes were made. He also noted that the decorative trim above the windows and below the eave would be retained.

The Commission reviewed the proposed work and discussed whether having three windows in the south elevation may better balance the appearance of the addition. Mr. Garlick noted that this would be possible, but noted that two support columns exist on the south elevation and would have to work around these structures.

The Commission also discussed that rather than matching the siding color on the first floor, to use a cream colored siding to match two other areas on the south elevation of the building.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Ken Fulgione moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with the condition that three double-hung windows be installed on the south elevation, that the window on the west elevation be placed equal distance from the southwest corner as the left window on the south elevation and that cream colored siding be used in the areas around the new windows. John Mann seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

**2. Update on CLG Grant Project.** Pat Ivory updated the Commission on the status of the City's CLG grant project. Projects include: the preparation of National Register nominations for the Roosevelt Avenue District, and 302 West Grand Avenue and the preparation of a walking tour brochure for the historic marker program. Pat noted that he would be meeting with Eric Wheeler, the consultant for the grant project later in the week.

**3. Update on Landmark Activities and Properties.**

**A. Wisconsin Historical Society Awards.** Pat Ivory informed the Commission that a nomination for the Wisconsin Historical Society preservation awards program had been submitted. The nomination was submitted for the Boyd School restoration/re-use project and that Helen Young, an intern from the History Department at the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire prepared the nomination paperwork for the project.

**B. Preservation Month Activities.** The Commission discussed Preservation Month, which is scheduled for May. At the previous meeting, the Commission discussed the possibility of sponsoring a bus tour of historic areas and properties in Eau Claire. Jenny

Ebert could be the tour guide and follow a similar route of the tour used for the State Conference last fall. Jenny indicated that she would be available on May 17<sup>th</sup>, or May 18<sup>th</sup>. The Commission discussed the proposed event and Pat reviewed some general costs associated with reserving a bus for a tour. The Commission also discussed whether the Chippewa Valley Museum would be interested in co-sponsoring the event. Pat noted that Ken Ziehr had discussed the issue with the Museum and that he would talk to Ken to see if the Commission and Museum could collaborate on organizing a tour.

**C. Landmarks Presentation at Neighborhood Meeting.** Pat noted that he would be making a presentation to the Third Ward and Randall Park Neighborhood Associations on April 17<sup>th</sup>. The presentation would provide an overview of the City's Landmarks program. It will be held at the Chippewa Valley Museum at 7 p.m.

**D. Next Meeting.** Pat noted that the next meeting of the Commission would be held at the Chippewa Valley Museum. As part of the meeting, the Commission will have an opportunity to view and discuss the neighborhood exhibit.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.